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SUBJECT: ASIAN VEGETABLE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER

DEPT PASS KEN RABIN

TREASURY FOR FINKEL

BANGKOK FOR RED

1. IN MARCH 1969 ADB APPROVED FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION  
OF \$150,000 EQUIVALENT FOR EACH OF FIRST TWO YEARS OF  
OPERATION OF ASIAN VEGETABLE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT  
CENTER (AVRDC) IN TAIWAN. BANK ASSISTANCE WAS SUBJECT  
TO CONDITION THAT ADEQUATE RESOURCES WERE AVAILABLE TO  
MEET ESTIMATED COST OF OPERATIONS OF AVRDC FOR THIS  
PERIOD. AGREEMENT BETWEEN BANK AND AVRDC SETTING FORTH  
TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF BANK'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO  
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CENTER BECAME EFFECTIVE SEPT 16, 1971.

2. UNDERSTAND BANK HAS RECEIVED OFFICIAL REQUEST FROM DIRECTOR OF CENTER FOR FURTHER CONTRIBUTION OF \$150,000 FOR EACH OF NEXT THREE YEARS. CONTRIBUTION TO BE USED FOR (A) PROPOSED "OUTREACH" EXPERIMENTAL FIELD PROGRAM WHICH WOULD PROVIDE FOR FACILITIES IN KOREA, PHILIPPINES AND THAILAND AND/OR (B) TRAINING PROGRAM SUPPORT IN MODERN VEGETABLE RESEARCH AND PRODUCTION METHODOLOGY IN TAIWAN. BANK STAFF IS NOW STUDYING PROPOSAL AND IS IN PROCESS OF PREPARING POSITION PAPER TO MANAGEMENT. WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR BANK STAFF TO KNOW PRIOR TO MAKING RECOMMENDATION TO MANAGEMENT U.S. GOVT VIEWS ON (A) LIKELIHOOD OF CONTINUED BILATERAL U.S. SUPPORT FOR AVRDC AND (B) U.S. ATTITUDE IN PRINCIPLE REGARDING FURTHER BANK SUPPORT TO AVRDC.

3. RED/BANGKOK ADVISES U.S. BILATERAL COMMITMENT ONLY FOR FIVE YEARS STARTING IN 1971. RED URGES THAT U.S. SHOULD ACTIVELY SUPPORT PROPOSED ADB CONTRIBUTION.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE COMMENTS.  
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